City Manager's Report

CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH

Week of Feb. 20, 2017



Huntington Beach Ranked 4th in Recent *Fiscal Times* Poll of 116 Cities Nationwide in "Best Financial Shape"

Huntington Beach, CA – The City of Huntington Beach was named in the Top 10 of Fiscal Times' ranking of 116 cities in the "Best Fiscal Shape" – ranking 4th on the list.

The *Fiscal Times* released its own analysis of the cities in the best financial health this year. The Fiscal Health Index was compiled by looking at 116 U.S. cities with populations over 200,000 using 2015 financial data. The five main factors considered were ratio of a city's general fund balance to expenditures; ratio of long-term obligations to total government-wide revenues; ratio of pension contributions to total revenues; changes in the local unemployment rate; and changes in property values.

"I am so proud of our City Council and our ongoing commitment to fiscal excellence," said City Manager Fred A. Wilson. "We've come a long way since the last recession and this ranking proves to our community that we've been diligent over the years to put our taxpayers first – and it's paying off. This ranking solidifies that we are on the right path towards fiscal sustainability in Huntington Beach."

The last recession put enormous pressure on local budgets that led to significant cuts in public services. While some cities have fared well over the years, others continue to struggle. The top six cities were all in California. The top 10 cities in the best fiscal health, according to the *Fiscal Times*:

- 1. Irvine, California
- 2. Fontana, California
- 3. Moreno Valley, California
- 4. Huntington Beach, California
- 5. Santa Ana, California
- 6. Glendale, California
- 7. Boston, Massachusetts
- 8. Fayetteville, North Carolina
- 9. Washington, District of Columbia
- 10. Boise, Idaho

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Free Electronics Recycling Event

The Public Works Department and Beachside Recycling are holding a <u>free electronics recycling event Friday and Saturday, February 24 and 25, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.</u> This is a drive-through event in the parking lot at the Huntington Beach Library, 7111 Talbert Ave., in HB. Come to the West parking lot adjacent to the Theater and Goldenwest Street. All schools, businesses, and residents from Huntington Beach and other neighboring cities are welcome.

Items to be collected and recycled include computers, monitors, televisions, cell phones, MP3 players, printers, microwaves, cables, wires, laptops--anything electronic! No batteries or light bulbs please. This is a perfect opportunity to clean out the garage or warehouse, get rid of those old dust-collectors and help protect the environment at the same time. The non-profit Friends of the Library will receive a donation based on the total weight of TV's and computer monitors collected.

For more information, call Public Works Trash and Recycling at 714-375-5010 or Beachside Recycling at 714-969-7638.

Free Disposal of Bulky Items for Residential Trash Customers

If you are a residential trash customer (who use the three carts) you are eligible for the **10/4 Pick-up Program**. This free program allows residents to schedule special collections of up to **10** bulky items per appointment, **four** times per year. Qualifying items include bags of trash or yard clippings (that will not fit in the trash or yard waste cart), appliances, furniture, and mattresses.

Contact Rainbow Environmental Services at (714) 847-3581 to schedule your 10/4 Pickup appointment. Most 10/4 pickups are scheduled for your next regular trash day. Because a special truck is dispatched to collect the items from the curb, please allow a minimum of 2 business days notice for scheduling. Residents are responsible to get all items to the curb for collection.

If you live in apartments or condos with a blue dumpster, you can pay a nominal fee for a special pickup for items that do not fit into the dumpster. Contact Rainbow Environmental Services for information on the fee and eligible locations.



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Capital Improvement Project – Arterial Rehabilitation

- Talbert Avenue (between Gothard and Newland)
- Main Street (between Garfield and Delaware)
- Heil Avenue (between Goldenwest and Edwards)

These three segments of roadway were just rehabilitated with new asphalt, sections of curb, gutter and sidewalk, new ADA compliant access ramps, new traffic signage and thermo plastic striping. Methods of these rehabilitated areas were grinding out and replacing failed asphalt and replaced with fiber reinforced asphalt concrete. Sewer and storm water manholes, valves and water meter boxes were replaced and adjusted to grade. Areas of settled curb, gutter and sidewalk were replaced as necessary. This project utilized rubberized asphalt concrete (RAC) which contains crumb rubber derived from 100% California waste tire rubber. This project diverted more than 12,000 waste tires that would otherwise end up in a landfill. The total cost of rehabilitation was \$2.4 million.



COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Boutonnieres & Bows Dance

On Saturday, February 18, the City Gym & Pool hosted the first annual Boutonnieres & Bows Dance. With almost 100 people, predominantly grade-school youth and their guardians in attendance, the night was filled with the sounds of fun and laughter from beginning to end. The night started off with delicious Italian food and dessert donated by many local restaurants, including Renatos Italian Kitchen, Mona Lisa Cucina, Olive Garden, Buca di Beppo and many more.

Shortly after, the dance floor opened with the one and only "Cha Cha Slide," which got everyone up on their feet and ready to boogie. If the children were not on the dance floor, they were having fun making beaded bracelets, decorating cookies and picture frames, as well as taking pictures at the photo booth. The children and parents also made a letter to show how much they appreciated each other. Towards the end of the night, "Stand By Me" by Ben King brought all the children and guardians to the dance floor for a slow dance. The night ended with a spectacular balloon drop over the dance floor. After the dance a parent approached a staff member in tears, saying, "I'm sorry I am so emotional, but this was such a special memory for my son and I." It was definitely a night to remember for everyone!



OFFICE OF BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

JOIN OUR EMAIL LIST!

Would you like to hear about HB business news, development opportunities, or events and workshops for businesses and/or local employees? The Office of Business Development is seeking email addresses from local businesses and business owners to include in their ongoing efforts to remain in contact with the community. Signing up is easy, and subscriptions may be changed or cancelled at any time and anyone is welcome! To join the list or modify your current subscription, please visit http://www.hbbiz.com/doing-business/e-notification.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Zoning Administrator

On Wednesday, March 1, 2017, at 1:30 p.m. in Room B-8 the Zoning Administrator will hold a meeting to review the following items:

COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NO. 16-023/ ADMINISTRATIVE PERMIT NO. 16-024 (JAN'S HEALTH BAR

EXPANSION): To allow the expansion of an existing 800 sq. ft. restaurant to an adjacent 1,200 sq. ft. suite located at 501 Main Street Suite D, 92648 (west side of Main St., between 6th St. and Townsquare Lane). Please contact Joanna Cortez for more information.

A copy of the agenda is available on the City's website at http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/Government/Departments/Planning/PJB/zal/ZAAgendas.cfm. Please contact the Planning Division at (714) 536-5271 with any questions.

INFORMATION SERVICES

Did you know the City website contains a page that has popular links to Water and Sewage service information? You can find links to information about our drinking water quality, water conservation program, water rate information, water sources, etc. To find a link to this information, click on the Services navigation tab and then click on the Water and Sewage link.

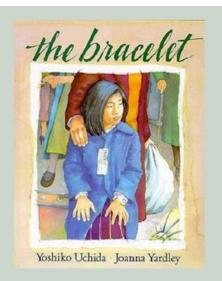
http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/services/water-sewage.cfm

LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Oak View Library Read Aloud and Craft Program

HB Reads and Oak View Branch Library invite children and their families to a special children's program at Oak View Branch Library on Wednesday, February 22, at 4 pm. Children will be read aloud the children's book "The Bracelet" by Yoshiko Uchida and Joanna Yardley. Right after the storytime, children will enjoy an origami craft activity!

For more information, please call (714)375-5068 or visit www.hbreads.org



HB Reads 2017 Events

HB Reads is excited about upcoming events to celebrate this year's title *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet* by Jamie Ford. Ford's touching story of love and loss is set in one of the most conflicted and volatile times in American history when Japanese-American citizens were incarcerated during WWII. Please join us at several events exploring life in California Internment camps and Jazz during the WWII era in addition to meeting Jamie Ford at our author event on March 23.

- ♦ 3/9/2017 at 7 p.m. Japanese Incarceration Panel Discussion at the Bella Terra Barnes & Noble
- ♦ 3/16/2017 at 6:30 p.m. Ray Briggs Jazz event at the Central Library in the C & D rooms.
- * 3/23/2017 from 4-6 p.m. HB Reads Fundraiser! Meet author Jamie Ford, enjoy delicious appetizers, beverages, and bid on silent auction items. This is a ticketed event. Tickets are \$50 through February. Prices increase to \$60 on March 1.
- ♦ 3/23/2017 at 7 p.m. HB Reads Presents: Jamie Ford, author of *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet*. This free event will be in the Central Library Theater.

For more information on HB Reads and how you can support this organization please go to www.hbreads.org

POLICE DEPARTMENT



Hiring: Experienced Police Officer

We are continually accepting applications for the position of an Experienced Police Officer. If you are interested in a rewarding career working in a great city with the opportunity to work a variety of assignments, we have it. Lateral police officer testing is scheduled for Tuesday, February 28. Anyone who meets the qualifications and is interested in applying, please visit the link for more information on the job requirements to apply.

http://surfcity-hb.org/government/departments/human resources/

We are looking to open up entry level police officer testing in March. The exact dates are still being finalized. Anyone interested in an entry level police officer position with HBPD can fill out a job interest card at this link:

http://surfcity-hb.org/government/departments/human resources/

FIRE DEPARTMENT



Important!

Children and fire are a deadly combination.
Some children play with fire out of curiosity, not realizing its danger.
Troubled children may set a fire as a way of acting out their anger, disappointment or frustration.

Children playing with fire cause hundreds of deaths and injuries each year. Pre-schoolers and kindergartners are most likely to start these fires, typically by playing with matches and lighters, and are most likely to die in them.

If you suspect your child is intentionally setting fires or unusually fascinated with fire, get help. Contact the Huntington Beach Fire Department at 714-536-5411. For more information, please visit the National Fire Protection Association at www.nfpa.org.

Storm Recap

On February 17, 2017, the City of Huntington Beach's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) was activated at 1:30 p.m. to a Level I to monitor the severe winter storm resulting in heavy rain and high winds. Marine Safety reported that the wind reached 67 mph. It was determined by the EOC Executive Officer Division Chief Bill Reardon to activate several limited EOC positions.

Staff collected information on responses, updated the City website and communicated with the public via social media during the activation. Based on improving conditions and input from the EOC staff, the EOC was deactivated at 8 p.m.

5k Fun Run/Walk



Saturday, March 11, 2017 8:00 a.m. \$35 / \$40 / \$45

(See Details Below)



Join us in Supporting the City's adopted 3rd Battalion / 1st Marines in a 5K Fun Run/Walk Along the Beautiful HB Coastline

Check out our event Facebook Page at: https://www.facebook.com/HBMEA43ONE



Brief Description:

5K Fun Run/Walk along the beautiful Huntington Beach Coast. Runners and Walkers will take off from the parking lot at Beach Blvd./PCH and proceed North, past the Pier and back again (relatively easy course with one small incline). NO ANIMALS allowed on the course. We will be filming the event! Please come support the 3rd Battalion/1st Marines and enjoy a great morning at the beach! Pancake breakfast served by Huntington Beach Firefighters begins at 8:30 a.m. and is INCLUDED in Run Registration. Breakfast is also open to the public for \$5 per person.

ENTRIES ARE LIMITED & THIS EVENT SELLS OUT & REGISTER EARLY

Fees:

Online registration is now open at Active.com (http://www.active.com/huntington-beach-ca/running/distance-running-races/3-1-marines-5k-fun-run-walk-2017). Limited time only: Register by February 5th for only \$35. Register between February 6th and February 19th for \$40. Register between February 20th and March 8th for \$45. If you are unable to register online, you may mail -in (details below) prior to March 3rd.

Packet Pick-Up: Friday, March 10, 2017 from 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. Location to be determined

| Registration Closing Date: | Parking: | | | |
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| Wednesday, March 8, 2016 @ 5:00 PM PST MAIL-IN REGISTRATION: | Beach Parking Lot:\$15. Metered Spaces on PCH. Limited Surface Streets | | | |
| Name | Sex (M/F) Age | | | |
| Address | City, State Zip | | | |
| Phone E-mail | | | | |
| SHIRT SIZE (circle One) SM M L XL XXL For questions regarding registration contact Chris at HBMEA43ONE@aol.com or (714) 307-3688. Make checks payable to: HBMEA. Mail to: HBMEA – 3/1 Run, P.O. Box 449, Huntington Beach, CA 92648. Waiver (MUST BE SIGNED) In consideration of your accepting this entry, I, the below signed, intending to be legally bound, for myself, my heirs, my executors and administrators, waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages I may have against the race, and sponsors and their representatives, the City of Huntington Beach, its officers, elected or appointed officials, employees, agents and volunteers, successors and assigns for any and all injuries suffered by me in said event. I attest that I will participate in this event as a footrace, that I am physically fit and sufficiently trained for the completion of this event. Furthermore, I hereby grant full permission to use my name and likeness, as well as any photographs and any record of this event in which I may appear for any legitimate purpose, including advertising and promotion. | | | | |
| Signature | Date | | | |
| Parent or Guardian if under 18 | · | | | |
| RAIN or SHINE | | | | |
| NO refunds will be issued for any reason | | | | |

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 2017

Feb. 24 — 113th Annual Chamber Gala, 5:30pm. Waterfront Hilton. http://business.hbchamber.com/events/details/annual-gala-2-24-2017-9811

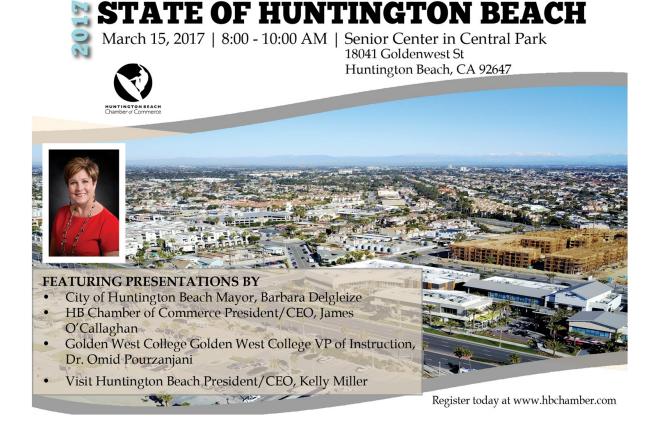
March 2017

- March 11 HB Marine 3/One 5k Run. Facebook: 3/1 5k Fun Run/Walk Benefiting the 3rd Battalion
- ♦ March 15—**State of the City** at the Senior Center in Central Park from 8 to 10am. <u>www.hbchamber.com</u>
- March 18 Assistance League of Orange County, Treasures by the Sea Annual Fundraiser. https://www.assistanceleague.org/huntington-beach/
- March 19 4th Annual Cherry Blossom Festival at Central Park. 11 am to 4pm. http://www.hbcbfest.com/

April 2017

- April 8— 7th Annual "Wine, Cheese & Chocolate, Please" fundraiser for Project Self Sufficiency. 5pm at SeaCliff
 Country Club. www.winecheesandchocolatecheese.com
- ◆ April 22 **Earth Day Festival** at Bolsa Chica at Warner/PCH. 10am to 3pm. More info: abbey@bolsachica.org

The Huntington Beach Chamber of Commerce Presents:



City Hall Directory

| City Attorney | (714) 536-5555 |
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| City Clerk | (714) 536-5227 |
| Passports | (714) 536-1600 |
| City Council | (714) 536-5553 |
| City Manager | (714) 536-5202 |
| Community Services | (714) 536-5486 |
| Beach Operations | (714) 536-5281 |
| Business Development | (714) 536-5542 |
| Finance Department | (714) 536-5630 |
| Business Licenses | (714) 536-5267 |
| Fire Department | (714) 536-5411 |
| Human Resources | (714) 536-5492 |
| Information Services | (714) 536-5515 |
| Library Services | (714) 842-4481 |
| Community Development | (714) 536-5271 |
| Code Enforcement | (714) 375-5155 |
| Police Department | (714) 960-8811 |
| Public Works | (714) 536-5431 |
| Graffiti Removal | (714) 960-8861 |
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